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SUBJECT: OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE: CANADA/SWEDEN DBS PAPER

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1. IN WAKE OF FAIRLY RAPID DIFFUSION BY SOV DEL OF USSR
PAPER ON CONSULTATION AND AGREEMENTS (REFTEL), CANADIANS AND
SWEDES HAVE GIVEN A DRAFT ON THE SAME SUBJECT TO A NUMBER
OF DELS. THEIR DRAFT FOLLOWS CLOSELY THE "NEW YORK" (LEGAL
SUBCOMMITTEE) TEXT FROM WHICH THEY HAVE REMOVED THE BRACKETS
IN LINE WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BRITISH AIDE-MEMOIRE
OF 20 MAY.

2. CANADA/SWEDEN DRAFT READS BEGIN QUOTE:

A. A DIRECT TELEVISION BROADCASTING SATELLITE SERVICE SPE-
CIFICALLY DIRECTED AT A FOREIGN STATE, IN THOSE CASES IN
WHICH THE COVERAGE OF THAT STATE IS PERMITTED UNDER THE
RELEVANT INSTRUMENTS OF THE ITU, SHALL BE BASED ON APPRO-
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PRIATE AGREEMENTS AND/OR ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN THE BROAD-
CASTING AND RECEIVING STATES OR THE BROADCASTING ENTITIES
DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE RESPECTIVE STATES, IN ORDER TO
FACILITATE THE FREER AND WIDER DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION
OF ALL KINDS AND TO ENCOURAGE COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF
INFORMATION AND THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION WITH OTHER
COUNTRIES.

B. FOR THAT PURPOSE A STATE WHICH PROPOSES TO ESTABLISH OR AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DIRECT TELEVISION BROADCASTING SATELLITE SERVICE SPECIFICALLY DIRECTED AT A FOREIGN STATE SHALL WITHOUT DELAY NOTIFY THAT STATE OF SUCH INTENTION AND SHALL ENTER INTO CONSULTATIONS WITH THAT STATE IF THE LATTER SO REQUESTS.

C. THIS PRINCIPLE SHALL NOT APPLY WHERE THE COVERAGE OF THE TERRITORY OF A FOREIGN STATE RESULTS MERELY FROM OVERSPILL OF THE RADIATION OF THE SATELLITE SIGNAL WITHIN THE LIMITS PERMITTED UNDER THE RELEVANT INSTRUMENTS OF THE ITU.
END QUOTE.

3. OF INTEREST WAS THE RELEVANT PASSAGE FROM THE CANADIAN GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT ON THE OSC PLENARY 22 JUNE. BEGIN QUOTE: WITH RESPECT TO THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF THE DRAFT TEXT ON CONSULTATION AND AGREEMENTS, IT IS THE VIEW OF CANADA AND SWEDEN THAT THIS PRINCIPLE SHOULD ONLY APPLY TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DIRECT TELEVISION BROADCASTING SERVICE. SUCH AN APPLICATION IS ENTIRELY CONSISTENT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS WHICH EXIST IN ANY OF OUR COUNTRIES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DOMESTIC TELEVISION BROADCASTING SERVICE. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT, ONCE AN AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED ON THE PARAMETERS OF THE SERVICE TO BE ESTABLISHED, THE QUESTION OF UNDESIRABLE SCREENING OR SENSORSHIP OF
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INDIVIDUAL PROGRAMMES AND ILLEGAL OR INADMISSIBLE BROADCASTS DOES NOT ARISE. IT IS CLEAR, THEREFORE, THAT THE COMPROMISE TEXT PUT FORWARD BY CANADA AND SWEDEN IS ENTIRELY CONSISTENT WITH THE PRINCIPLE OF FREE FLOW OF INFORMATION AS ENSHRINED IN THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. END QUOTE.MEEHAN

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